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## Novel to Sue Garrison, 'Playboy'

Columbus, Ohio (UPI)—Gordon Novel said today he plans to file a libel suit against New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison and "Playboy" magazine. Hugh Hefner, and members of Truth and Consequences, a New Orleans group financing Garrison's investigations. must either have some awfully good information or else he's pretty stupid.

Novel, who was once sought by Garrison as a material witness in the district attorney's investigation of an alleged plot to assassinate President Kennedy, was named in a recent Playboy article based on an interview with Garrison. The Garrison interview in Playboy linked Novel to the Central Intelligence Agency. Novel said an editorial comment in that issue accused him of complicity in Kennedy's assassination.

"Hefner never backed up that statement," Novel said. "When he says guilty of complicity, he

"I want to make them prove their story, that's all," Novel said.

The former nightclub owner and New Orleans native, whose extradition Garrison had sought, said he would file the libel suit in federal district court in Chicago Oct. 13.

Novel said the suit, for an undisclosed sum, would name Garrison, Playboy publisher.

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